## Eye Bank Linked To Computerized Eye Tissue Inventory System

The Old Dominion Eye Bank and Research, Inc. of Richmond recently became one of 17 of the 69 members of the Eye Bank Association of America to put into operation a computer terminal linking the facility to a central computerized "Eye Tissue Inventory System."

The computer, located in Atlanta, Georgia, is operated by Emory University. It provides to each participating Eye Bank a print-out service, 24 hours a day, showing the availability of, or need for, eye tissue for sight-restoring transplant purposes.

Mr. R. Kenneth Hudgins, Executive Director of the Richmoind operation said in commenting on the newly installed computer system, "this is a tremendous advance in eye bank communications. Our ability to now exchange, instantly, vital tissue information with other Eye Banks makes it possible for us to provide a much quicker and greater service to Virginia eye surgeons, particularly in cases wehre an emergency need for tissue exists."

Founded in 1962 as a non-profit organization, supported by the Lions Clubs of Northern, Central, and Eastern Virginia, the Eye Bank collects, processes, and distributes human eye tissue, donated on death, for sight-restoring purposes.

During this time, Hudgins remarked, the Old Dominion Eye Bank has made possible one thousand four hundred and seventy eight (1,478) penetrating corneal transplants at no cost to the donors or recipients.

**APPOMATTOX ELEMEN. SCHOOL MENU**

Mon., March 26 - Chili con-carne w/beans, hot rolls, cole slaw, strawberry short cake, milk.

Tues., Mar. 27 - Hot dog on bun w/chili, potato chips, pork n' beans, pear halves, cookie, milk

Wed., March 28 - Sliced turkey w/gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, whipped potatoes, purple plums, milk

Thurs., Mar. 29 - Sloppy Joe on bun, scalloped potatoes w/cheese, green peas, apple cobbler, milk

Fri., March 30 - Oven battered fish, cole slaw, corn bread, lima beans, fruit, milk.

**FBLA ANNOUNCES GIRL OF MONTH**

The member of the month for February is a most dedicated FBLA & ACHS student. During this school year, she has attended all meetings, participated in all activities and made many contributions of time and effort. She set up the Five-County Fair exhibit, FHA & HERO dinner, and was chairman of the Dance-a-Thon committee. Due to her efforts, the anticipated profit of the Dance-a-Thon is $1,200. The member of the month is the president of our chapter, Rita Reynolds.

**PAMPLIN ELEMEN. SCHOOL MENU**

Mon., March 26 - Chicken noodle soup, peanut butter jelly sandwich, potato chips, fruit, milk, cookie

Tues., March 27 - Pizza, french fries, tossed salad, jello, milk

Wed., March 28 - Sausage, whipped potatoes, green beans, apple sauce, biscuits, butter, milk

Thurs., March 29 - Sliced turkey roll, backeye peas, sliced tomato, fruit, roll, milk

Fri., March 30 - Spaghetti, green peas, carrot & celery stick, peaches, cookie, biscuits, milk.

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## Father Darkleaf

BY CALVIN ROBINSON

I label it "The Case of The Reluctant Spring." According to the calendar, Spring is here. And there are signs, such as buds on shrub and tree, a greening of the lawn, a thunderstorm and, ah yes, hail on Martha Street. At high noon Saturday, hail the size of garden peas peppered Appomattox. I had just brought in an armful of flowers from the garden and asked Brightleaf the difference between jonquils and daffodils. The hail did not last long, and came at low tide in the garden. Low spots just would not hold any more water. Spots, not deep enough for baptizing, but fed by riverlets from the higher ground enough to keep one at the window, just looking. And today,Monday, it is chilly. That's why I say, The Reluctant Spring. I had to rechink around the front door. An even sixty degrees in My Den, so I put on another pair of socks and turned the stove another notch. Ah yes, Spring, beautiful Spring. Sunday was a lovely day. And a warming trend takes over. Less than six weeks away Spectacular Bid will try to win the Kentucky Derby. Monday Night Baseball on TV is around the corner. This Sunday The Cherry Blossom Classic footrace in Washington has 4,038 entries, led by champion Bill Rodgers. Later will be on time, and, unfortunately, Spring is gone.

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Kings Dominion opens, Saturday May 5, and full schedule May 26. Busch Gardens opens April 7.

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Eager for golf in more Springlike weather, a group of twelve from Appomattox recently went to Myrtle Beach, S.C. for a few rounds of golf. Vernon Bryant was telling me of the pleasant seventy degree weather.

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During March I often remember my late Uncle George. He taught me how to make and fly a kite, and March was the best month. But kite flying can be dangerous now, with so many wires overhead. Better to ride your bike or cut the grass.

'Twas nice to have Bro. Thomas Richardson as a recent visitor on Martha Street. We had a long chat on a variety of subjects. He has a wide range of interests, has a great memory, has traveled extensively and has several fascinating hobbies, including slides of state capitols.

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Just to keep the record straight, I made a mistake in spelling in last week's column. My mistake, not that of the typesetter. Should have been Philip Kearny, with only one "l" in his first name.

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While waiting for a chance to plant some garden seeds I have assembled, have been reading the directions on the packets. Warn you not to plant to deeply. One said, half the diameter of the seed. It's I do that, birds will surely get the seed, or the wind will blow'em away.

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Thanks for reading and seeya next week.

### Town Tags Now on Sale

Town motor vehicle tags went on sale March 1st at the Appomattox Town Office. The deadline for purchasing your tags is March 31.

You must bring your registration card and town personal property tax receipt with you to purchase town tags.

For the convenience of citizens of the Town of Appomattox, the Town Office will be open Saturday, March 31st, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

ACHS PARENTS PANEL

PARENTS AND CAREER COUNCIL

## "Parents and Their Careers" Panel Featured At ACHS Career Council Assembly

Shown above, left to right, seated are: Mrs. Helen Poe Beaty, co-manager of Poe Hardware; Mrs. Marbella Johnson, teacher at Appomattox Middle School; and Mrs. Ora S. McCoy, Postmaster. Standing, left to right are R. B. Carter, Director of Vocational Education; Cloud Abernathy, Building Inspector and Public Facilities Maintenance Specialist; and Luis Garcia, Superintendent of Appomattox National Historical Park.

The picture above, right, shows parents and members of the Career Council, assembly following the program.

## Competency Tests To Be Administered April 4 and 5

The Virginia Graduation Competency Tests in reading and mathematics will be administered at Appomattox County High School on April 4 and 5. The purposes of the tests are to determine whether or not students have satisfactorily mastered the graduation competencies and to determine students' instructional needs related to the graduation competencies.

Students scheduled to graduate in 1981 were administered the competency tests last fall. Students who failed the tests will have an opportunity to take the tests for a second time during this testing period. Students who are presently in the ninth grade and who are scheduled to graduate in 1982 will take the competency tests for the first time on April 4 and 5.

Each test is considered separately. To pass either test, reading or mathematics, a student must answer 70% of the items correctly. This means that at least 42 of the 60 reading questions and 70 of the 100 mathematics questions must be answered correctly.

Student competencies in reading which will be tested on the minimum competency test include 1) understanding safety warnings, 2) completing forms and applications, 3) using reference sources, 4) determining main ideas and 5) using salary, entry methods, and advancement opportunities.

In mathematics the testing program will measure the student's skill to 1) read and write numerals, 2) compare numerical values, 3) add, subtract, multiply and divide whole numbers and decimal fractions, 4) multiply simple fractions, 5) express percents as decimals, 6) express fractions as decimals, 7) find a given percent of a number, 8) draw conclusions from graphs, 9) determine distance from a map, 10) read tax, interest and insurance tables, 11) know concept of parallelism and parts of a circle, 12) determine perimeter and area of rectangles, 13) know measurement units and determine elapsed time and 14) solve practical problems in personal finance.

Through the instructional program students have been given many opportunities to learn the skills which will be tested in the minimum competency program. With the continued assistance of parents, it is anticipated that students will demonstrate progress toward passing the minimum competency tests.

Parents and students who have questions are requested to call Appomattox County School Board (352-8251) or Appomattox County High School (352-7146).

### County Decals Now on Sale

Appomattox County decals for motor vehicles are now on sale at the Office of the Treasurer of Appomattox County and are due March 31, 1979, according to an announcement by Mrs. Ida H. Campbell, Treasurer.

You MUST bring your state registration card with you before you can buy your decals.

For the convenience of the citizens of the county, the office of the Treasurer will be open Saturday, March 31, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

### WOW TO HAVE MEETING MONDAY

There will be a special meeting of Camp 71, Woodmen of the World on Monday night, April 2nd, at 7:30 at the WOW Hall.

A special program on "wills" will be presented by Harry G. Lawson, attorney and member of Camp 71.

All members and their wives are invited to attend.

### BAND BOOSTERS TO MEET APRIL 3

The ACHS Band Boosters will meet Tuesday, April 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the music room at the high school.

## Bloodmobile Visit Planned Tuesday

One last reminder about the Red Cross Bloodmobile visit planned for April 3rd - the Bloodmobile will be set up Tuesday at Liberty Baptist Church from noon until 6:00 p.m.

Please come on out even if you are in doubt as to your eligibility as a donor. Of course if you are very sure you can not qualify then you need not waste your time.

Regardless of your blood type each donor's blood is important as there is a shortage of all types at this time.

Remember that by giving blood you are saving the life of someone and that someone just might be a person that is very dear to YOU!

See you on Tuesday?

Alice C. Martin, Chm.
Blood Services Program

## Appomattox County Farm Bureau Represented In Meeting With Virginia Congregational Delegation

Jimmy Rosser and Earl Pickett represented Appomattox County Farm Bureau March 13th in meetings with the Virginia Congressional delegation in Washington, D.C.

Rosser and Pickett joined more than 115 Farm Bureau leaders from 76 counties to discuss Farm Bureau positions on issues important to Virginia farmers.

Issues presented to Rep. Dan Daniel and Senators Harry F. Byrd and John Warner included repeal or amendment of a section of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act which forbids use of certain drugs vital to the agricultural industry; vigorous emphasis on exporting U.S. agricultural products; repeal carryover basis rules of the Tax Reform Act of 1976 which puts an unfair burden on a farmer's heirs; and the establishment of fair trade practices for agricultural bargaining.

### COOKBOOKS TO BENEFIT CANCER RESEARCH

Tim Woodson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Woodson of Virginia Avenue, is continuing to knock on doors; Tim, an arrested cancer victim, is offering for sale a cookbook, the proceeds of which will go to the ASK program (Association For Study of Childhood Cancer) and to the Ronald McDonald House in Richmond.

The Ronald McDonald House will be a Home-Away-From-Home for the parents of cancer-stricken children who are undergoing treatment at the Medical College of Virginia.

Should you be away from home when Tim calls, you may order a cookbook by calling 352-7304 or 352-2291 or any member of the Appomattox Junior Women's Club.

# The National Flood Insurance Program - A Necessity For Virginians

## Information From Your Emergency Services Coordinator

You are now eligible to buy National Flood Insurance since Appomattox County has begun participation in the program, according to W. R. Britton, Jr., Emergency Services Coordinator for Appomattox County.

This insurance program is available to every resident in the county and you can buy low-cost, federally-subsidized flood insurance that covers residential, business and farm structures and their contents. Flood damage is not covered by the ordinary homeowners policy.

The winter of 1978 has treated Virginia to more than one severe snowstorm. In some parts of the State the accumulation has been fairly great and the constant cold temperatures have conspired to keep a good portion of the snow around.

The current shift to warmer temperatures which brings about melting snow, combined with spring rains poses a potential threat in the form of flooding.

In early April, 1977, torrential rains struck Southwest Virginia causing four deaths and more than $242 million damage. Countless numbers of families were driven from their homes and temporarily housed through the combined efforts of their local, state and federal governments. Upon returning to their homes, these individuals found them, in many cases, totally destroyed. Some of the luckier ones found that repairs could make their homes livable again.

Before the flood-prone season strikes, all Virginians, and especially those residents of areas of heavy snowfall or potential flooding, should investigate the National Flood Insurance Program.

The time to ask questions is now - before lives and homes are threatened by flood waters. There is a 5-day waiting period between the date a policy is opened and the date actual coverage begins.

The National Flood Insurance Program was created by Congress in 1968. It's purpose was to make low cost flood insurance available to the public. The program is underwritten by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Following are a list of questions and answers prepared by HUD to explain the National Flood Insurance Program.

What is the National Flood Insurance Program? It is a Federal program enabling property owners to buy flood insurance at a reasonable cost. In return, communities carry out local flood plain management measures to protect lives and new construction from future flooding.

How is the Program structured? A community qualifies for the Program in two separate phases - the Emergency and Regular "Programs."

Under the initial Emergency phase, limited amounts of flood insurance become available to local property owners. A community's efforts to reduce flood losses are general, in many cases guided only be preliminary flood data. The map HUD provides the community at this stage is a Flood Hazard Boundary Map that outlines the flood-prone areas within the community. Subsidized rates are charged for all structures regardless of their flood risk.

Under the Regular Program, the full limits of flood insurance coverage become available locally. The premiums charged for new construction vary according to its exposure to flood damage. The community's flood plain management efforts become more comprehensive. New buildings are elevated or floodproofed above certain flood levels. These levels are derived from HUD's detailed on-side engineering survey in the community. This more detailed map is a Flood Insurance Rate Map which shows flood elevations and outlines risk zones used for insurance purposes.

How does a community qualify for the National Flood Insurance Program? A community may apply for the Emergency Program by adopting preliminary flood plain management measures. Over 14,500 communities have joined this phase of the Program. After HUD completes a detailed on-site survey that established flood levels, the community qualifies for the Regular Program by adopting more comprehensive flood plain construction measures. 1,900 communities have qualified for the Regular phase so far.

How can people find out if they are eligible for flood insurance? By checking with their community officials, local insurance agents or FIA. The FIA' toll-free number is 800-424-8872. FIA's Insurance Servicing Contractor may also be consulted toll-free at 800-638-6620, or at 301-897-5900 Region III - Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia: Curtis Building, Sixth

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## Appomattox Court Holds Regular Session

The Appomattox County Court held its regular session on Monday, March 19, 1979 with all members present.

Upon motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hix, the Court approved the following resolution:

"Be it resolved by the Appomattox County Court that the Appomattox County Sheriff's Department be authorized to enter into a contract with the Virginia Department of Transportation for the purpose of providing traffic control for the Appomattox 10K Run to be held on April 7, 1979."